**R865.** Tax Commission, Auditing.

R865-6F. Franchise Tax.

R865-6F-14. Extent to Which Federal Income Tax Provisions Are Followed for Corporation Franchise Tax Purposes Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sections 59-7-106, 59-7-108, 59-7-501, and 59-7-502.

A. It is the policy of the Tax Commission, in matters involving the determination of net income for Utah corporation franchise tax purposes, to follow as closely as possible federal requirements with respect to the same matters. In some instances, of course, the federal and state statutes differ; and due to such conflict, the federal rulings, regulations, and decisions cannot be followed. Furthermore, in some instances, the Tax Commission may disagree with the federal determinations and does not consider them controlling for Utah corporation franchise tax purposes.

- 1. The items of major importance ordinarily allowed in conformity with federal requirements are:
  - a. depreciation (see rule R865-6F-9),
  - b. depletion,
  - c. exploration and development expenses,
  - d. intangible drilling costs,
  - e. accounting methods and periods (see rule R865-6F-2), and
  - f. Subpart F income.
- 2. The following are the major items which require different treatment under the state and federal statutes:
  - a. installment sales (see rule R865-6F-15),
  - b. consolidated returns (see rule R865-6F-4),
  - c. liquidating dividends,
  - d. municipal bond interest,
  - e. capital loss deduction,
  - f. loss carry-overs and carry-backs, and
  - g. gross-up on foreign dividends.

Note: The only reserves permitted in determining net-income for Utah corporation franchise tax purposes are depreciation, depletion, and bad debts.

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